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Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated November 26, 2003, setting forth a shortened statutory period for response to expire on February 26, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection set forth in the Official Action, together with the allowance of all claims pending therein, in due course.